

HOUSE BILL 1159

By Kernell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-502, relative to transfer of administration of a special school district to the county board of education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-502, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following language as a new subsections (b) and (c):

(b) If the board of education of a special school district seeks to transfer administration of the district's schools pursuant to subsection (a), then the required referendum shall be conducted on the same date as a regular August or November election as defined in § 2-1-104. The county election commission, on the request of the board of education, shall set the referendum on the date of the first such regular election that occurs at least one hundred eighty (180) days after the request is made to the county election commission by the board of education.

(c) If the majority of the voters casting votes in the referendum vote in favor of transfer, then the transfer of administration of the schools of the special school district to the county board of education shall occur on July 1 of the second calendar year following the date of the referendum.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.